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MEMORANDUM FOR: ADD's

SUBJECT : Allocation of DCI Responsibilities

1. As I noted this morning, the DCI has asked us to go back to the drawing board with regard to certain of his responsibilities that we had assigned to the CFI. The problem is to recommend how these are to be handled if they are not assigned to CFI. They all in one sense or another require the DCI to play a Community role, but do not seem to fall under the CFI charter.

2. There are three basic choices. The Community coordination of these matters can be handled by the IC Staff, but not under CFI, by a staff reporting directly to the DCI, or by appropriate elements of CIA. The first runs the risk of entangling CFI and DCI responsibilities, the second has the disadvantage of encouraging a proliferation of officers reporting to the DCI, the third tends to undercut his effort to separate his Community responsibilities from his CIA ones. In what follows, I assume that we will find it workable and economical to maintain a DCI Staff including IG, OGC, and OLC.

3. The functions we are considering can be grouped as follows:

- a. DCI functions vi, ix, and the functions of the Oversight Board; all these deal with "abuse control"
- b. DCI functions vii(B), vii (C), x and the requirement for secrecy oaths; all these lie in the general area of the USIB Security Committee.
- c. DCI function viii; declassification procedures
- d. DCI function xiii; CRITICs

4. If the present IG is to be attached to the DCI and serve both Deputies as well, then I would recommend that he be charged with coordination of "abuse control" for the Community.

5. The Security Committee lacks a home. It can be hung--uncomfortably--on CFI, but it cannot be hung on a USIB confined to substance. One solution would be to establish an Assistant to the DCI on Community Security matters. He would chair the Security Committee, handle the security and secrecy oath functions, and be responsible for declassification programs in the Community, deriving his staff support from CIA/DDA.

6. The CRITIC responsibility is minor and does not require immediate action. This function should properly be lodged within a crisis management element, if one is established. Recommend this be deferred pending resolution of crisis management responsibilities.



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